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Fort Complex Update

YREKA, CA- Fire suppression efforts have been combined for the Goff Fire, located north of Seiad Valley, California, with the Hello Fire located in the Red Buttes Wilderness and the Lick Fire located about 10 miles east of the Red Buttes Wilderness. Because of proximity, similar terrain and access challenges the three fires are combined into the newly named Fort Complex. The Goff Fire has grown to an estimated 40 acres with 0% containment. The Hello Fire has grown to 220 acres and is 0% contained. The Lick Fire is now estimated at 80 acres and is 10% contained. Both the Hello and Lick Fires are within the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest. Fire suppression activities are challenging for all three fires because of extremely steep and heavily forest terrain. A newly arrived Type 2 Incident Management Team is preparing to take command of fire suppression activities at 6:00 AM on Friday, August 10, 2012.

An aerial video displays the Goff Fire behavior in extremely steep and heavily forested terrain. Standing dead trees, known as snags, are evident from the last major fire that occurred in the area in 1987. The video is available on the Klamath National Forest web site at www.fs.usda.gov/klamath/. Click on "Aerial Video Footage of Goff Fire".

Containment lines around the Bill Fire, located near Billberry Creek in the Scott Bar Ponds area of the Scott River Ranger District are holding and mop up activities continue. As a precaution a fire engine stood watch through the night to protect structures if necessary. The Dillon Fire, ignited August 3rd 15 miles southwest of Happy Camp, is 100% contained and mop up activities continue. Most of the other fires started by lightning on August 5th are 100% contained or out.

More detailed wildfire information is available on the internet at www.inciweb.org. The Klamath National Forest and Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forests are now in fire restrictions. Forest visitors are reminded to use care while in the Forest and please check the Forest websites at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/klamath/> or http://www.fs.usda.gov/rogue_river-siskiyou/ or with a Forest Service station for local conditions.

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